

Table 1. Levels of Risk for Children, 1999

(Numbers in thousands)

Risk Factors	Children 5-17																			
	Total		Sex				Race						Ethnicity		Age					
	Number	Percent	Male		Female		White ¹		Black		API		Number	Percent	5-9		10-13		14-17	
			Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total children	52,701	100.0%	27,006	51.2%	25,695	48.8%	33,570	63.7%	8,518	16.2%	2,358	4.5%	8,024	15.2%	20,535	39.0%	16,148	30.6%	16,018	30.4%
Disability																				
No disability	48,690	92.4%	24,403	90.4%	24,286	94.5%	30,769	91.7%	7,926	93.1%	2,274	96.4%	7,539	94.0%	19,100	93.0%	14,846	91.9%	14,744	92.0%
At least one disability	4,011	7.6%	2,603	9.6%	1,409	5.5%	2,801	8.3%	593	7.0%	84	3.6%	484	6.0%	1,435	7.0%	1,302	8.1%	1,274	8.0%
One disability	3,293	6.2%	2,153	8.0%	1,141	4.4%	2,334	7.0%	472	5.5%	67	2.8%	386	4.8%	1,161	5.7%	1,077	6.7%	1,055	6.6%
More than one disability	718	1.4%	450	1.7%	268	1.0%	467	1.4%	121	1.4%	17	0.7%	98	1.2%	275	1.3%	225	1.4%	219	1.4%
Retained²																				
Never retained	44,744	91.9%	22,380	89.8%	22,364	94.2%	28,948	92.7%	6,955	88.3%	2,060	96.1%	6,600	91.5%	15,744	95.4%	14,812	91.7%	14,189	88.6%
Retained at least once	3,920	8.1%	2,546	10.2%	1,374	5.8%	2,275	7.3%	923	11.7%	83	3.9%	612	8.5%	770	4.7%	1,336	8.3%	1,829	11.4%
Retained once	3,669	7.5%	2,363	9.5%	1,306	5.5%	2,129	6.8%	855	10.9%	83	3.9%	576	8.0%	749	4.5%	1,282	7.9%	1,638	10.2%
Retained more than once	251	0.5%	183	0.7%	68	0.3%	146	0.5%	68	0.9%	0	0.0%	36	0.5%	6	0.0%	53	0.3%	192	1.2%
Language ability for those who speak language other than English																				
Speaks English "very well" or does not speak language other than English	50,071	95.0%	25,596	94.8%	24,475	95.3%	33,230	99.0%	8,410	98.7%	2,030	86.1%	6,149	76.6%	19,127	93.1%	15,476	95.8%	15,467	96.6%
Speaks English less than "very well"	2,630	5.0%	1,410	5.2%	1,220	4.7%	340	1.0%	108	1.3%	328	13.9%	1,875	23.4%	1,408	6.9%	672	4.2%	551	3.4%
Family Characteristics																				
Household composition																				
Lives with married parent	36,447	69.2%	18,784	69.6%	17,663	68.7%	25,893	77.1%	3,191	37.5%	1,873	79.4%	5349	66.7%	14,546	70.8%	11,087	68.7%	10,814	67.5%
Lives with less than both parents	16,254	30.8%	8,222	30.4%	8,033	31.3%	7,677	22.9%	5,328	62.6%	484	20.5%	2,676	33.3%	5,990	29.2%	5,060	31.3%	5,204	32.5%
Lives with one parent	13,778	26.1%	7,001	25.9%	6,777	26.4%	6,714	20.0%	4,344	51.0%	418	17.7%	2232	27.8%	5,302	25.8%	4,327	26.8%	4,149	25.9%
Lives with wid/div/sep parent	9,377	17.8%	4,745	17.6%	4,632	18.0%	5,572	16.6%	1,962	23.0%	313	13.3%	1448	18.0%	2,977	14.5%	3,058	18.9%	3,342	20.9%
Lives with never married parent	4,401	8.4%	2,256	8.4%	2,145	8.3%	1,142	3.4%	2,382	28.0%	105	4.5%	784	9.8%	2,325	11.3%	1,269	7.9%	807	5.0%
Does not live with parent	2,476	4.7%	1,221	4.5%	1,256	4.9%	963	2.9%	984	11.6%	66	2.8%	444	5.5%	688	3.4%	733	4.5%	1,055	6.6%
Parents foreign born																				
Both parents native born	43,078	81.8%	22,006	81.6%	21,072	82.1%	31,465	93.8%	7,632	89.7%	429	18.3%	3,203	39.9%	16,454	80.2%	13,280	82.3%	13,344	83.4%
Either parent foreign born	8,371	15.9%	4,306	16.0%	4,064	15.8%	1,750	5.2%	764	9.0%	1,721	73.2%	4,225	52.7%	3,497	17.0%	2,497	15.5%	2,378	14.9%
Either parent immigrated in last five years	1,208	2.3%	673	2.5%	535	2.1%	328	1.0%	114	1.3%	201	8.6%	596	7.4%	569	2.8%	368	2.3%	271	1.7%
Family income																				
Family income below \$5,000	1,586	3.4%	746	3.1%	840	3.7%	479	1.6%	617	8.4%	89	4.5%	373	5.2%	715	3.9%	498	3.5%	373	2.7%
Family income \$5,000-\$9,999	2,360	5.1%	1,209	5.1%	1,151	5.0%	754	2.5%	853	11.6%	80	4.1%	654	9.0%	1,021	5.5%	707	4.9%	632	4.5%
Family income less than \$10,000	3,946	8.5%	1,955	8.2%	1,991	8.7%	1,233	4.1%	1,470	20.0%	169	8.6%	1,026	14.2%	1,736	9.4%	1,205	8.4%	1,004	7.2%
Family income \$10,000-\$19,999	5,782	12.4%	2,877	12.1%	2,905	12.7%	2,256	7.5%	1,576	21.4%	283	14.4%	1,627	22.5%	2,312	12.6%	1,833	12.8%	1,637	11.7%
Family income \$20,000-\$29,999	6,952	14.9%	3,594	15.1%	3,358	14.7%	3,346	11.2%	1,498	20.3%	279	14.2%	1,841	25.5%	2,903	15.8%	2,091	14.6%	1,958	14.0%
Family income \$30,000-\$39,999	5,766	12.3%	2,917	12.2%	2,849	12.5%	3,711	12.4%	881	11.9%	170	8.6%	980	13.6%	2,242	12.2%	1,826	12.7%	1,698	12.2%
Family income \$40,000+	24,270	52.0%	12,501	52.4%	11,770	51.5%	19,381	64.8%	1,955	26.5%	1,069	54.3%	1,755	24.3%	9,219	50.1%	7,400	51.5%	7,651	54.9%
Parental employment																				
One or more parents/ guard. employed	47,134	89.5%	24,148	89.5%	22,986	89.5%	31,331	93.4%	6,756	79.4%	2,011	85.6%	6,859	85.5%	18,312	89.2%	14,435	89.4%	14,387	90.0%
Neither parent/ guard. employed	5,522	10.5%	2,837	10.5%	2,686	10.5%	2,213	6.6%	1,754	20.6%	340	14.5%	1,165	14.5%	2,207	10.8%	1,709	10.6%	1,606	10.0%

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Risk Factors	Region								Area type					
	Northeast		Midwest		South		West		Central City		Balance		Nonmetro	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total children	9,981	18.9%	12,357	23.5%	18,047	34.2%	12,316	23.4%	15,221	28.9%	27,421	52.0%	10,059	19.1%
Disability														
No disability	9,201	92.2%	11,390	92.2%	16,640	92.2%	11,458	93.0%	14,109	92.7%	25,372	92.5%	9,209	91.5%
At least one disability	780	7.8%	968	7.8%	1,406	7.8%	857	7.0%	1,111	7.3%	2,050	7.5%	850	8.5%
One disability	656	6.6%	803	6.5%	1,157	6.4%	678	5.5%	897	5.9%	1,691	6.2%	706	7.0%
More than one disability	124	1.2%	165	1.3%	250	1.4%	179	1.5%	215	1.4%	359	1.3%	144	1.4%
Retained²														
Never retained	8,560	92.5%	10,610	92.4%	14,929	89.4%	10,645	94.7%	12,648	90.6%	23,649	93.4%	8,448	90.0%
Retained at least once	695	7.5%	877	7.6%	1,757	10.5%	591	5.3%	1,304	9.4%	1,681	6.6%	935	10.0%
Retained once	656	7.1%	842	7.3%	1,601	9.6%	570	5.1%	1,238	8.9%	1,580	6.2%	851	9.1%
Retained more than once	39	0.4%	35	0.3%	156	0.9%	21	0.2%	66	0.5%	101	0.4%	84	0.9%
Language ability for those who speak language other than English														
Speaks English "very well"	9,546	95.6%	12,104	98.0%	17,394	96.4%	11,027	89.5%	13,921	91.5%	26,344	96.1%	9,805	97.5%
Speaks English less than "very well"	435	4.4%	253	2.0%	653	3.6%	1,289	10.5%	1,300	8.5%	1,077	3.9%	254	2.5%
Family Characteristics														
Household composition														
Lives with married parent	6,912	69.3%	8,596	69.6%	12,046	66.8%	8,893	72.2%	8,779	57.7%	20,545	74.9%	7,123	70.8%
	3,069	30.8%	3,762	30.4%	6,001	33.3%	3,422	27.8%	6,441	42.3%	6,877	25.1%	2,937	29.2%
Lives with one parent	2,581	25.9%	3,226	26.1%	5,054	28.0%	2,916	23.7%	5,380	35.3%	5,943	21.7%	2,456	24.4%
Lives with wid/div/sep parent	1,631	16.4%	2,150	17.4%	3,490	19.3%	2,105	17.1%	3,146	20.7%	4,374	16.0%	1,857	18.5%
Lives with never married parent	950	9.5%	1,076	8.7%	1,564	8.7%	811	6.6%	2,234	14.7%	1,569	5.7%	599	6.0%
Does not live with parent	488	4.9%	536	4.3%	947	5.3%	506	4.1%	1,061	7.0%	934	3.4%	481	4.8%
Parents foreign born														
Both parents native born	8,014	80.3%	11,314	91.6%	15,400	85.4%	8,350	67.9%	10,978	72.2%	22,703	82.9%	9,397	93.5%
Either parent foreign born	1,679	16.8%	874	7.1%	2,283	12.7%	3,535	28.7%	3,683	24.2%	4,112	15.0%	576	5.7%
Either parent immigrated in last five years	287	2.9%	165	1.3%	341	1.9%	414	3.4%	553	3.6%	576	2.1%	80	0.8%
Family income														
Family income below \$5,000	230	2.7%	336	3.0%	736	4.6%	284	2.6%	737	5.5%	533	2.2%	316	3.5%
Family income \$5,000-\$9,999	414	4.8%	447	4.0%	880	5.5%	619	5.7%	1,134	8.5%	744	3.1%	481	5.4%
Family income less than \$10,000	644	7.5%	783	7.1%	1,616	10.0%	903	8.3%	1,871	14.0%	1,277	5.3%	797	8.9%
Family income \$10,000-\$19,999	982	11.5%	1,150	10.4%	2,309	14.3%	1,342	12.3%	2,413	18.0%	1,844	7.6%	1,525	17.0%
Family income \$20,000-\$29,999	1,071	12.5%	1,385	12.5%	2,512	15.6%	1,984	18.2%	2,396	17.8%	3,127	12.9%	1,429	15.9%
Family income \$30,000-\$39,999	1,008	11.8%	1,472	13.3%	2,089	13.0%	1,196	10.9%	1,553	11.6%	2,762	11.4%	1,451	16.1%
Family income \$40,000+	4,852	56.7%	6,309	56.8%	7,605	47.2%	5,505	50.4%	5,197	38.7%	15,274	62.9%	3,800	42.2%
Parental employment														
One or more parents/ guard. employed	8,792	88.1%	11,325	91.7%	16,099	89.3%	10,918	88.8%	12,691	83.4%	25,417	92.8%	9,027	89.8%
Neither parent/ guard. employed	1,188	11.9%	1,028	8.3%	1,925	10.7%	1,381	11.2%	2,524	16.6%	1,973	7.2%	1,026	10.2%

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